



City of Grand Island

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Council Session

Item H1

Adoption of 2008-2009 City Council Goals

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Council Agenda Memo

From: Jeff Pederson, City Administrator
Meeting: October 14, 2008
Subject: City Council Goals
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Presenter(s): Jeff Pederson, City Administrator

Background

The City Council annually formulates a set of Goals that serves as the basis for the organization's work plan for the budget year. On June 3rd, the City Council reviewed the 2007-2008 Goals and formulated a revised set of Goals for 2008-2009. I recommend formal adoption of the Goals in order that they be given the highest standing as we proceed into the new budget year.

Discussion

The Goals that were formulated on June 3 were used to develop budget priorities and guide some of the major decisions in the budget process this year. Goals that received funding necessary to advance include the Broadwell Grade Separation Project, Wastewater Treatment Plant Digester design, and relocation of State Fair to Grand Island. I do not believe that decisions made in the budget adversely affect potential progress with any of the goals. The Goal associated with the Heartland Shooting park development is broadly-stated, and can be regarded to cover all forms of development of the facility and not just capital development.

I have refined the wording in Goals # 1, 12, 16, and 17 in order to more accurately state the intention of the Goals and the direction that they are expected to take in the current budget year. An earlier draft of the Goals (previously provided) is attached for comparative purposes.

Alternatives

It appears that the Council has the following alternatives concerning the issue at hand. The Council may:

1. Move to approve
2. Refer the issue to a Committee for further study and recommendation.
3. Postpone the issue to future date
4. Take no action on the issue

Recommendation

The City Administrator recommends that the Council Adopt the City Council Goals for 2008-2009.

Sample Motion

Move to adopt the City Council Goals for fiscal year 2008-2009.



City Council Goals 2008-09

Draft

Public Safety

- * 1. Pursue 911 backup center without building construction

Economic Development

- 2. Assist in creating and retaining quality jobs through LB 840 program
- 3. Assist CRA in identifying and creating new business redevelopment projects

Infrastructure

- 4. Support infrastructure for sustained housing/commercial development
- 5. Progress the Railroad Corridor Study
- 6. Prepare a master plan for infrastructure development south of Grand Island
- 7. Support relocation of State Fair to Grand Island
- 8. Progress Broadwell Grade Separation

Government Efficiency

- 9. Seek inter local partnerships that eliminates duplication and promotes efficiency
- 10. Complete a comprehensive City Code review and update
- 11. Develop criteria for outside agency funding
- * 12. Investigate County industrial Tracts

Quality of Life

- 13. Continue to support development of the Heartland Public shooting Park
- 14. Update Parks and Recreation master plan including a study of children's play area at Island Oasis
- 15. Progress the Community appearance Plan
- * 16. Groundwater Mitigation
- * 17. Start development of the Wastewater Treatment Plant Digesters

Public Health

- 18. Secure funding and begin construction of the Household Hazardous Waste facility
- 19. Continue to aggressively address environmental issues and advocate for citizens

** Goals with wording changes in final (recommended)*



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Government Efficiency

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10. Complete a comprehensive City Code review and update
11. Develop criteria for outside agency funding
12. Investigate possible means County industrial Tracts to contribute to the cost of City services

Quality of Life

13. Continue to support development of the Heartland Public shooting Park
14. Update Parks and Recreation master plan including a study of children's play area at Island Oasis
15. Progress the Community Appearance Plan
16. Take steps to mitigate groundwater intrusion problem
17. Complete the design of the Wastewater Treatment Plant Digesters

Public Health

18. Secure funding and begin construction of the Household Hazardous Waste facility
19. Continue to aggressively address environmental issues and advocate for citizens